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Seawolf Relocates to West Coast

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Groton, Conn. – The fast-attack submarine USS Seawolf (SSN 21) departs Naval Submarine Base New London for the last time Friday, June 15, on its way to a new homeport at Naval Base Kitsap, Bangor, Wash.

Seawolf, the first ship of its class and commissioned in 1997, is relocating after 10 years of service as part of the Submarine Force realignment process. More than 60 percent of the families of Sailors stationed onboard Seawolf have already moved and will be waiting in Washington when the submarine arrives.

With stealth, endurance, agility, fast-attack submarines like Seawolf are multi-mission capable - able to deploy and support Special Forces operations, disrupt and destroy an adversary's military and economic operations at sea, provide early strike from close proximity, and ensure undersea superiority.

Seawolf is 353 feet long, displaces 9,150 tons and has a crew of approximately 144 officers and Sailors.

Editors Note: Media availability with the Seawolf Commanding Officer and crewmembers will be held **Thursday, June 14 at 10 a.m.** Media partners wishing to cover this event **MUST** notify the Navy New London Public Affairs Office at (860) 694-5980 or by faxing (860) 694-4699 **by 1 p.m. Wednesday.**

Due to the current security posture, only credentialed media with proof of U.S. citizenship will be authorized on board Naval Submarine Base New London (SUBASE).

All media personnel will gather at the Submarine Force Library and Museum (SFLM) **no later than 9 a.m. Thursday** with their credentials, including government identification and proof of U.S. citizenship. Late arrivals will not be guaranteed access to SUBASE. Public Affairs

representatives will be present to verify credentials and escort media to and from the piers by official Navy vehicles.